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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

Hotten, et al.

Atty. Docket No.: 100564-09021

Application Number: 09/901,556

Group Art Unit: N/A

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(August 25, 1999)

For: GROWTH/DIFFERENTIATION FACTORS OF THE TGF-B FAMILY

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 25, 2002

Sir:

This Response is being filed in response to the Office Action of October 5, 2001, along with a two-month Petition for Extension of Time and the statutory fee, making the response due on or before February 5, 2002.

Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows. A marked-up copy of the paragraphs is included as an attachment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

Please substitute the paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5 with the following paragraph: